

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Y. TERAHAMA, et al  
Serial No.: Not yet assigned  
Filed: May 2, 2001  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONNECTING TERMINALS  
IN A REMOTE CONSULTING SYSTEM  
Group: 2152  
Examiner: T. Vu

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

May 2, 2001

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully  
submitted prior to the Rule 53(b) Continuation Application  
filed on even date.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert before the first line of the specification  
the following:

-- This is a continuation of application Serial No.  
08/934,063, filed September 19, 1997. --

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 2-8 without prejudice or disclaimer  
of the subject matter thereof.

REMARKS

Entry of the above amendments prior to examination is respectfully requested.

Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, or credit any overpayment of fees, to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (520.35693CX1).

Respectfully submitted,

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